

1 we have a decision of the Supreme Court which reversed the
2 common law rule of Maryland and of the majority of all the
3 States and the English common law rule in an extremely
4 hard case from one at least -- that was a five to four
5 decision, and one of the judges, as has been pointed out
6 here, Mr. Justice Black, has since limited the effect of
7 his decision to the facts of that particular case.

8 Now we are here dealing with a matter of where
9 the rights of the general public are concerned. The idea
10 of a person admittedly guilty going free just because
11 some policeman has exceeded his authority was anathema
12 to the former Supreme Court and to most of the courts in this
13 country.

14 It is a question which is highly debatable. If
15 the Supreme Court should reverse itself or modify in any
16 degree its extremely -- and it is very extreme -- contro-
17 versial decision, it would be unfortunate to have this frozen
18 in our Constitution, and I hope we will not do it.

19 THE CHAIRMAN: Is there any further discussion?
20 Are you ready for the question?

21 The Clerk will ring the quorum bell.